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OHIO

WEEKLY CROP - PROGRESS SUMMARY

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OHIO CROP WEATHER HIGHLIGHTS

The average temperature for the State was 38.2 degrees, 3.3 degrees below normal for the week ending Sunday, November 20, 2005. Precipitation averaged 1.48 inches, 0.83 of an inch above normal. There were 15 modified growing degree days during the week, which is 2 degree days below normal for this week.

Reporters rated 3.3 days suitable for fieldwork during the seven-day period ending Friday, November 18, 2005. Days suitable for field work were down 1.8 days from last week, but up 0.3 of a day from last year. Compared to the 2000-2004 average, the current week is down 1.2 days. Topsoil moisture was rated 0 percent very short, 4 percent short, 66 percent adequate, and 30 percent surplus.

Days Suitable

	Current week	Previous week	Since 1 st week of April
2005	3.3	5.1	166.4
2004	3.0	5.0	144.5
2000-2004 Average	4.5	4.9	147.3

Topsoil Moisture

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Current Week	0	4	66	30
Last Week	0	8	74	18
Same Week Last Year	0	0	34	66
2000-2004 Average	3	9	63	26

CROP PROGRESS AND FIELD ACTIVITIES WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2005

Corn harvested for grain is at 90 percent which is 3 days behind last year and the five-year average. Fifty-six percent of pastures are rated good-to-excellent, down 7 percentage points from last week. Winter wheat condition is rated at 79 percent in good-to-excellent condition, down 3 percentage points from last week.

2005 CROP SUMMARY

Ohio's **Corn** crop was 95 percent planted by May 22, compared to 85 percent in 2004 and 80 percent for the five-year average. Ninety-nine percent of the corn was emerged by June 12, compared to 92 percent for last year and the five-year average. Farmers began harvesting corn silage at the end of August, and 95 percent was harvested by October 2. This was more than 3 weeks ahead of last year and 15 days ahead of the five-year average. One percent of the corn for grain was harvested by September 18, which is identical to last year and the five-year average. Ninety percent of the corn was harvested by November 20.

Soybean producers had 15 percent planted by April 24 and 99 percent planted by June 12, which was two and a half weeks ahead of last year and the five-year average. Ninety-eight percent of the soybeans were emerged by June 19, which was 15 days ahead of last year and 16 days ahead of the five-year average. The soybean harvest was 5 percent complete by September 18. Farmers had 95 percent harvested by November 13, which is 3 days ahead of last year, but 2 days behind the five-year average.

Winter Wheat was 2 percent jointed on April 3, 1 day behind last year. Operators began the harvest around the first of July and were 100 percent completed by July 24. The 2006 winter wheat crop was 2 percent planted by September 18 and 95 percent planted by October 30.

The first cutting of **Alfalfa hay** was 9 percent complete by May 22, compared to 5 percent last year and 11 percent for the five-year average. Ninety percent was bailed by June 19. The second cutting was 12 percent complete by June 26 and was 98 percent complete by August 14. The third cutting was 6 percent complete by July 24 and 95 complete by September 18. The fourth and final cutting was 1 percent complete by August 14 and was 96 percent complete by October 30. **Other hay** first cutting was 7 percent complete by May 22, which was 6 days ahead of last year and identical to the five-year average. The first cutting was 99 percent complete by July 10. The second cutting was 5 percent complete by June 26 and 87 percent complete by August 21. The third and final cutting was 2 percent complete by July 24 and 95 percent complete by October 16.

Oats were 10 percent planted by April 10. Ninety-nine percent were planted by May 15. This was 15 days ahead of last year and 11 days ahead of the five-year average. The oat harvest was 1 percent complete by July 10 and 99 percent complete by August 14.

PERCENT PROGRESS OF CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY NOVEMBER 20

Crop	2005	2004	2000-2004 Avg	Previous Week Ohio	U.S.
Corn Harvested for grain	90	90	92	83	95

PERCENT CONDITION OF MAJOR CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 20

PASTURE	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	2	10	32	46	10
Previous Week	1	7	29	51	12
Previous Year	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
WINTER WHEAT	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	0	1	20	63	16
Previous Week	0	1	17	60	22
Previous Year	0	1	17	60	22

This is the last crop weather report for the 2005 season.

The Ohio Field Office would like to thank everyone for completing the crop weather questionnaires throughout the season. In addition, we would like to extend a special thank-you to the following reporters who completed 30 or more reports (out of 34) during the crop weather reporting season:

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WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY NOVEMBER 20										
	Temperature		Precipitation				Growing Degree Days ^{1/}			
Region	Last Week	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.
Northwest	36.3	-3.9	1.80	1.16	23.21	-1.98	11	-3	3536	383
North Central	37.3	-3.3	1.04	0.42	30.10	4.04	14	0	3500	392
Northeast	39.5	-0.8	0.87	0.19	29.85	1.87	15	2	3231	299
West Central	36.2	-5.1	1.62	0.97	28.18	1.30	13	-3	3636	331
Central	37.7	-4.0	1.75	1.15	28.86	1.49	16	-2	3655	306
Central Hills	37.7	-3.0	1.31	0.70	30.13	2.56	14	-1	3406	312
Northeast Hills	39.0	-2.1	1.15	0.54	28.14	0.71	16	-1	3450	305
Southwest	38.0	-5.0	1.89	1.17	26.21	-2.42	18	-3	3795	284
South Central	40.8	-2.7	1.39	0.73	25.61	-1.67	19	-6	3900	318
Southeast	39.4	-2.6	1.56	0.92	27.40	-0.17	18	-3	3644	293
STATE	38.2	-3.3	1.48	0.83	27.54	0.35	15	-2	3592	321

1/ Modified Growing degree days, base 50 - ceiling 86.

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